

FISCAL NOTE

TO: Chief Clerk of the Senate
Chief Clerk of the House

FROM: James A. Davenport, Executive Director

DATE: March 21, 1996

SUBJECT: **SB 2659 - HB 2759**

This bill, if enacted, will require the state to establish an interdepartmental pilot mentoring program in at least five counties to recruit and train adult volunteers and to pair such volunteers with adolescents who demonstrate delinquent or unruly behavior.

The volunteers would serve as mentors and role models who encourage and reinforce positive behavior patterns that facilitate proper social, educational and physical development. The volunteers would assist the adolescents and their families in achieving and maintaining successful relationships with schools, social service agencies, community groups, youth organizations, health care providers, and juvenile authorities.

Findings and recommendations will be reported to the General Assembly on or before January 1, 1998.

The fiscal impact from enactment of this bill is estimated to be an increase in state expenditures of \$50,000. According to the Department of Education's Office of Governor's Study Partners, the cost of funding a pilot program of this nature is approximately \$10,000 per program per year. (\$10,000 per program x 5 counties = \$50,000)

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.


James A. Davenport, Executive Director